



Appendix G

Section 106 Documentation

1.1 Correspondence

This appendix presents the documentation associated with the Section 106 review process for the consideration and protection of historic properties under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966. Coordination with the Illinois Historic Preservation Agency (IHPA) was initiated at the outset of the project with an invitation to them to serve as a Participating Agency, which they accepted (see Appendix C, Section C.8 for a copy of this correspondence). In addition, 11 Native American Tribal governments were invited to be Participating Agencies and Section 106 Consulting Parties, but none accepted (see Appendix C, Section C.8). Specific documents relating to the Section 106 process included are:

- ◆ Letter of June 28, 2010, from the IDOT Cultural Resources Unit to the IHPA presenting their determination that no historic properties within the original Environmental Survey Request study area would be affected by the proposed project. The letter includes the IHPA concurrence in this determination, dated June 30, 2020.
- ◆ Letter of January 25, 2012, from the Chicago Park District (CPD) addressing temporary construction impacts to Hamilton Park. CPD expresses their lack of objection to issuing a temporary construction permit for work in the park, subject to their approval of a restoration plan. CPD also expresses their opinion that the work will “meet the conditions for the temporary construction exception from Section 4(f), and will have no effect on the historic attributes of the park.”
- ◆ Letter of March 3, 2012, from IDOT to IHPA presenting their determination that Hamilton Park, within the Environmental Survey Request Addendum area (dated November 28, 2011), would not be adversely affected by the temporary construction associated with the proposed project, and that there would be no effect on any other historic resources within the Addendum area. The letter includes the IHPA concurrence in this determination, dated March 5, 2012.

1.2 Consulting Parties

A list of Consulting Parties for the 75th Street CIP was developed by IDOT in coordination with IHPA. These Consulting Parties, listed below, were invited to the Alternatives Public Meeting of October 27, 2011, and to the Public Hearing on the DEIS.

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1.3 Coordination Meetings

IDOT conducted several meetings with the CPD and the IHPA to address the potential impacts to historic resources within the study area. Summaries of the following meetings are included in this appendix:

- ◆ Meeting of June 30, 2011, with the CPD to discuss potential impacts to Hamilton Park.
- ◆ Meeting of August 31, 2011, with the IHPA to discuss potential impacts to Hamilton Park.
- ◆ Meeting of December 12, 2011, with the CPD to discuss temporary construction within Hamilton Park.
- ◆ Meeting of February 14, 2012, with the CPD to discuss temporary construction within Hamilton Park and potential impacts within the ESR Addendum area.
- ◆ IDOT internal memorandum of March 21, 2012, documenting the proposed EIS environmental commitments coordinated with IHPA in a meeting on March 5, 2012



Illinois Department of Transportation

2300 South Dirksen Parkway / Springfield, Illinois / 62764

June 28, 2010

Cook County
CREATE
EW-2, P-2, P-3 & GS 19
75th Street CIP
Project: P-30-004-04

IDOT Seq# 11761

FEDERAL PROJECT

NO HISTORIC PROPERTIES AFFECTED

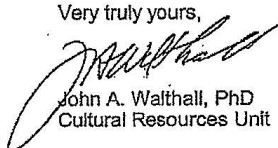
Ms. Anne Haaker
Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer
Illinois Historic Preservation Agency
Springfield, Illinois 62701

Dear Ms. Haaker:

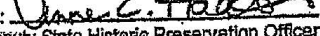
Enclosed are plan maps and a photo-log of standing buildings and bridges to be impacted by the 2.18 acre project referenced above. Some of the buildings have been previously reviewed by your office (see the attached "No Effect" concurrence letter dated June 30, 2005). None of the 11 bridges to be replaced are on the Illinois Historic Bridge Survey list and all are common types of undistinguished styles. All of the other structures are domestic dwellings of common styles in this area of Chicago. None of them meet the criteria for listing on the National Register.

In accordance with the established procedure for coordination of Illinois Department of Transportation projects, we request the concurrence of the State Historic Preservation Officer in our determination that no historic properties subject to protection under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, will be affected by this proposed project.

Very truly yours,


John A. Walthall, PhD
Cultural Resources Unit

CONCUR

By: 
Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer
Date: 6/30/10



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January 25, 2012

Daniel Stewart
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Subject: 75TH Street Corridor Improvement Project: Hamilton Park

The Chicago Park District has no objections to the 75th Street Corridor Improvement Project preferred alternative; the temporary occupancy of the park land for construction activities can be approved by the standard CPD Construction Permit in-lieu-of a temporary easement; CPD has reviewed the information Jacobs presented with respect to the temporary construction effects on the park, and the CPD agrees that with a proper restoration plan to be approved by CPD, the proposed work will meet the conditions for the temporary construction exception from Section 4(f), and will have no effect on the historic attributes of the park.

If you have any questions please contact Bob Foster at (312) 742-4693.

Sincerely,

Rob Rejman
Director of Planning, Construction, and Facilities
Chicago Park District

J. Voldrich, Jacobs
B. Foster, CPD

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March 3, 2012

Cook County
CREATE
75th Street Corridor Improvement Project
Section EW2-P2-P3-GS 19
Project: P-30-004-04
IDOT Sequence #11761A

Federal Section 106 Project

NO ADVERSE EFFECT

Ms. Anne Haaker
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Dear Ms. Haaker:

Enclosed is the IDOT Environmental Survey Request (addendum) form and accompanying plan sheets and photographic documentation for proposed minor adjustments to streets, sidewalks, and viaducts related to the above referenced rail corridor improvement project. Potential impacts to cultural resources by the original project were previously determined by your office have no effect on historic properties (attached letter dated June 28, 2010).

In coordination with your office, the current project will have no effect on historic properties, except for a temporary construction easement that will involve a narrow strip along the southeast edge of Hamilton Park, a property listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The easement will measure about 60' by 15' along existing railroad right-of-way and will not impact elements of the designed landscape of the park. The existing vegetation (volunteer shrubs and small trees) will be removed, and IDOT will continue to coordinate with your office during the final design phase of the project to develop appropriate landscaping for the affected area.

In accordance with the established procedure for coordination of proposed IDOT projects, we request the concurrence of the State Historic Preservation Officer in our determination that the above referenced project will have No Adverse Effect on historic properties subject to protection under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, provided that IDOT continues to coordinate with your office to develop appropriate landscaping.

Very truly yours,

Brad H. Koldehoff, RPA
Cultural Resources Unit
Bureau of Design and Environment

CONCUR

By: Jane E. Haaker
Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer
Date: 3-5-12



CHICAGO PARK DISTRICT

HAMILTON PARK MEETING SUMMARY

75TH CIP ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

DATE: June 30, 2011 1:30 PM
LOCATION: Chicago Park District (CPD) Office
RECORDED BY: Doug Knuth
IN ATTENDANCE:

Doug Knuth	Jacobs	Joseph Bornstein	CPD
Ron Deverman	HNTB		

Key Points Discussed:	Action By:
Jacobs presented a 75 th CIP EIS project overview and a summary of the recent Community Advisory Group (CAG) and Public Meetings. The CPD was given copies of the brochure used at the Public Meeting.	
<p>Jacobs explained the purpose of this meeting was to understand the Park District's position on several alternate alignments near and through Hamilton Park that are being considered for the new rail connection to the Metra RI line. CPD asked if the project was a project to help Metra's service and Jacobs stated that it was.</p> <p>It was explained that the alternates would be grouped into several categories:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • North of the park • Through the park • Tunnel • South of the park <p>The goal will be to evaluate the alignment categories and focus on the south of the park alternates for more detailed evaluation of the proposed alternate alignments since they had less impacts to the park.</p> <p>The alternates through the park would be dropped based on impacts to the cultural, historic and recreational resources. A goal of this meeting</p>	

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Key Points Discussed:	Action By:
is to determine if a minimal impact could be acceptable to the CPD.	
Jacobs presented two alignments, RI-5 and RI-3, to CPD. Alternate alignment RI-5 requires taking most of the SE corner of the park outside of the circle, but has a greatly diminished neighborhood impact. The CPD did not feel that RI-5 would be acceptable. They also stated that the Friends of the Park would oppose it.	
RI-3 requires 1,399 sq. ft. in the SE corner of the park in a narrow wedge adjacent to the RR ROW. The wedge is about 12 feet wide at the base along 74 th Street. The CPD felt that it may be possible to work something out on the RI-3 alignment. They noted that the property to be acquired is overgrown with weedy trees, does not include any historic template plantings as part of the landscaping, and is not programmed for any recreational use. They mentioned the possibility of park improvements near the required property such as renewed landscaping or path improvements. The goal would be to bring more function to that area of the park or provide more attractive landscaping. Jacobs noted that access to the park is part of the park experience and that the community has complained that many of the underpasses do not feel safe, especially for pedestrians. If Jacobs improved the underpasses providing access, that would also improve the park experience.	
CPD will review the materials on RI-3 with other park district staff, including their legal department and provide comments.	CPD to get input from various departments on RI-3 and get information on what is required for a possible land transfer.
It was noted that the CDP would find it difficult to convey any property to a private entity like a freight railroad, but it would be easier with Metra in the context of the 75 th CIP project. Jacobs mentioned that the City will be acquiring the private property required for the project. The park district can easily transfer property to the City under the Intergovernmental agreement called a Land Transfer Act. So ultimately it may be easier to transfer the property to the City and have them transfer the entire ROW to Metra.	
Jacobs mentioned that there may be some small property left over south of 74 th Street. The CPD would not be interested in taking that	



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<p>property. They do not take properties less than two acres unless it is contiguous to an existing park. CPD stated that 74th Street is too busy of a street to consider property on the other side as contiguous.</p> <p>With the park surrounded by railroads and streets, everyone at the meeting agreed that there was no other land that could be added to the park to make up for a substantial taking.</p>	
<p>Jacobs noted that the information presented to the CPD will be presented to the IHPA for their input on the property from a historical resources standpoint.</p>	



ILLINOIS HISTORIC PRESERVATION AGENCY

HAMILTON PARK MEETING SUMMARY

DATE: August 31, 2011 10:00 AM
LOCATION: IHPA Office, Old State Capitol, Springfield, IL
RECORDED BY: Joe Leindecker, Jacobs
IN ATTENDANCE:

Anne Haaker	IHPA	Walt Zyznieuski	IDOT
John Walthall	IDOT	Brad Koldehoff	IDOT
Joe Leindecker	Jacobs		

Key Points Discussed:	Action By:
Jacobs and IDOT presented an overview of the CREATE Program and a brief summary of the 75 th Street Corridor Improvement Project, including the prior project history, the major project components, and a summary of the project purpose and need, including the rationale for moving the Metra SouthWest service from the CWI line to the Rock Island line. Overall schedule for the project was also discussed.	
<p>Jacobs described the various groups of alternates for the new connection to the Metra RI line:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • North of Hamilton Park • Through the park • Tunnel • South of the park <p>IHPA concurred that the North of the park, Through the park, and Tunnel alternates all were clearly inferior to the South of the park alternates – Alternates RI-1, RI-2 and RI-3. Previously-provided information on the detailed impacts to the park and the neighboring community resulting from these three alternates was reviewed. Jacobs noted that RI-3 requires a taking of 1,399 sq. ft. from the SE corner of the park in a narrow triangle adjacent to the RR ROW. The triangle is about 13 feet wide at the base along 74th Street.</p>	

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Jacobs described the prior coordination meeting between Jacobs and Joe Bornstein of the Chicago Park District (CPD). IHPA noted that it will be important from their perspective that the CPD Historic Landscape specialist be specifically involved. IHPA also will want to solicit input from the Chicago Landmarks Commission (CLC) staff.	Jacobs will work with IDOT to facilitate future coordination with CPD and CLC.
IHPA stated that they would want to hear input from the public and other concerned stakeholders and consulting parties prior to offering an opinion on whether any of the alternates would have an adverse effect on the park. If the SHPO makes a finding of an adverse effect on the park, a full Section 4(f) evaluation would be needed and a <i>de minimis</i> 4(f) process would not be possible. Haaker did raise a question about what sort of construction easement, if any, would be required to construct Alternate RI-3 and what the extent of the construction impacts on the park would be.	Jacobs will develop details regarding a possible construction easement for RI-3 for future coordination with IHPA and CPD.
IHPA commended IDOT for beginning coordination at this time and noted that this was a good time to initiate the Section 106 process. IHPA suggested that the upcoming public meeting, anticipated for the latter part of October, could be used as the public meeting for the Section 106 process. The meeting invitation and published advertisements will have to include special language referring to the Section 106 process, which John Walthall will provide to Jacobs	John Walthall to provide Jacobs with Sec. 106 wording for public meeting invitation letters and ads.
It was agreed that IDOT would forward documentation of this August 30 meeting to IHPA and that IHPA would respond with a return letter to IDOT about initiating the Section 106 process. IHPA will also send IDOT a list of potential consulting parties that should be invited to the public meeting.	IDOT to forward Meeting Summary Memo to IHPA. IHPA to respond with letter to IDOT and include list of potential consulting parties.
IHPA indicated that they would likely not be concerned about impacts on the park from simply changes in the volume of rail traffic along the two existing rail lines, as the rail lines had been in operation prior to the establishment of the park, although they will of course be interested to hear public comments on this topic.	Jacobs to provide summary of public comments from the public meeting to IHPA.



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MEETING SUMMARY

Meeting Date: December 12, 2011

Time: 1:30-2:15 p.m.

Place: Chicago Park District Office

Subject: 75th Street Corridor Improvement Project (75th St. CIP) Hamilton Park Impacts

Meeting Participants

Name	Representing
Joseph Bornstein	Chicago Park District
Robert Foster	Chicago Park District
Ron Deverman	HNTB
Doug Knuth	Jacobs
Joe Voldrich	Jacobs

Summary of Meeting

The members of the 75th St. CIP team began the meeting by introducing Joe Voldrich, who will be the new 75th St. CIP Project Manager for Jacobs on Doug Knuth's retirement at the end of December. Chicago Park District (CPD) introduced Robert Foster who will be taking over for Joe Bornstein.

The 75th St. CIP team then presented the 75th St. CIP Build Alternative regarding the location of the Metra flyover south of Hamilton Park, and Leland Grants Park. The team presented the CPD with the 75th Street CIP-Hamilton Parks Alternates memo and photos of the existing structure and temporary easement to the CPD.

Doug Knuth described the preferred alternate for the connection of the Metra SouthWest Service Line to the Rock Island District Line in the area south of Hamilton Park. The preferred alternate route dips south of and then crosses 75th Street, and requires no acquisition of CPD property and only requires a temporary construction easement of approximately 60' x 15' to construct the retaining wall at the ROW. CPD stated that they had no objections to the preferred Alternate and indicated that the area required was so small that a temporary easement would not be required. CPD indicated that all that would be required is the standard CPD construction permit. CPD indicated that they would send a copy to Jacobs. CPD inquired if sheet piling would be installed for the retaining wall. Doug Knuth indicated that pile driving will be prohibited on the project due to noise impact concerns to the surrounding neighborhood. Doug Knuth indicated that all the trees that need to be removed for the construction were voluntary trees. CPD indicated that a restoration planting plan would need to be reviewed prior to construction.



CPD indicated that they have no issues with any temporary removal and replacement of existing CPD retaining walls or paths. CPD requested that the railroad retaining wall have a standard wall look and not be decorative.

Ron Deverman requested that Doug Knuth give a detailed account of the public input and explain alternate drawings. Doug Knuth gave a more detailed review of the 75th Street CIP-Hamilton Parks Alternates memo. CPD asked if freight trains would still be operating on the west side of Hamilton Park. Doug Knuth advised the CPD that freight trains would still be operating on the west side of Hamilton Park but only Metra trains would be operating on the east side of Hamilton Park.

The CPD asked if there were any impacts at Leland Giants Park. Doug Knuth indicated that there would be about +/- 200ft of retaining wall built of railroad property and that the preferred alternate was to close Union Avenue at the tracks and cul-de-sac Union. Doug Knuth stated that the Alderman Thomas was in favor of closing Union Avenue. CPD has no issue with this part of the preferred alternate.

CPD asked if there were any comments or plans to fence the railroad property. Doug Knuth indicated that there were no comments during the public meeting about fencing the railroad property and that currently there are no plans to fence the area partially due to the height of the embankment. Doug Knuth advised the CPD that a detailed inventory of the existing viaducts had been completed and that \$10 million in local mobility improvements will be part of the 75th CIP. Doug Knuth also indicated that maintenance work with regards to lighting and vegetative overgrowth has already been addressed by the City.

Joe Voldrich requested a letter from the CPD that stating that the CPD had no objects to the preferred alternate and that a temporary easement would not be required. Joe Bornstein agreed to send a letter.

Doug Knuth and Ron Deverman requested that Joe Bornstein advise Julia Bacharach of the preferred alternate and advise Jacobs of any comments or concern she may have.

Doug Knuth informed CPD that meeting minutes would be transmitted to CPD and requested a concurrence to the content. CPD agreed.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:15 p.m.





ILLINOIS HISTORIC PRESERVATION AGENCY

HAMILTON PARK MEETING SUMMARY

DATE: February 14, 2012 1:00 PM
LOCATION: IHPA Office, Old State Capitol, Springfield, IL
RECORDED BY: Joe Leindecker, Jacobs
IN ATTENDANCE:

Anne Haaker	IHPA	Walt Zyznieuski	IDOT
Emillie Eggemeyer	IDOT	Brad Koldehoff	IDOT
Joe Leindecker	Jacobs		

Key Points Discussed:	Action By:
<p>Jacobs (Leindecker) presented a brief summary of the developments in the 75th Street Corridor Improvement Project since the last meeting with IHPA on August 31, 2011. The three Rock Island Connection alternates were reviewed and their property impacts discussed using the 10-page memo handout dated February 14, 2012 (copy attached). Alternates RI-1 and RI-2 would just skirt the southeast corner of Hamilton Park, while Alternate RI-3 would require a taking of approximately 0.03 acre from the southeast corner of the park. Both Alternates RI-1 and RI-2 would have no permanent taking from the park, but would require temporary construction that would affect approximately 900 square feet of the park.</p> <p>Jacobs described the October 27, 2011, Alternatives Public Meeting and discussed the public input provided relating to the three Rock Island alternates. Jacobs described the rationale for the recommendation of the preferred alternative (Alternate RI-1) and the further coordination that was conducted with the City of Chicago, the 17th Ward Alderman, and the Project Study Group. It was noted that the Preferred Alternative (RI-1) would have no direct permanent impacts to Hamilton Park. IHPA (Anne Haaker) expressed no concerns with the recommendation, and was pleased that the alternate requiring a taking from Hamilton Park (Alternate RI-3) was ultimately not recommended.</p>	

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<p>Jacobs also described the most recent coordination meeting between Jacobs and Joe Bornstein of the Chicago Park District (CPD) on December 12, 2011, to discuss the temporary construction impacts that Alternate RI-1 would have to Hamilton Park. Jacobs noted that the CPD Historic Landscape specialist had been invited but was unable to attend the meeting and that Jacobs was advised that the information had subsequently been shared with her. Jacobs provided IHPA with a copy of the CPD letter of January 25, 2012, and noted that CPD thought the construction work could be performed using a construction permit rather than an easement, and that CPD would require that they approve the park restoration plans during Phase II. Anne Haaker noted that IHPA would also require approval rights over the restoration plans in order to ensure no adverse effect to the Park.</p> <p>IHPA noted that based on the information provided and pending further input from consulting parties and the public, she would anticipate a finding of No Adverse Effect. It was agreed that Brad Koldehoff would prepare a letter to IHPA for this purpose and provide it for their concurrence. It was agreed that based on current information, the temporary construction work at Hamilton Park appeared to meet the conditions for the Temporary Construction exception to Section 4(f) requirements.</p>	<p>Jacobs to modify the DEIS to include an Environmental Commitment to coordinate the park restoration plans with both CPD and IHPA during Phase II, and that approval of those plans would be required from both agencies.</p> <p>IDOT (Koldehoff) to prepare letter on Hamilton Park for IHPA concurrence.</p>
<p>IHPA noted that they had received a telephone message from Preservation Chicago with questions and comments about potential impacts from rail projects, including potential impacts to a historic house near 43rd Street, and possibly the Damen Avenue viaduct. The limits of the 75th St. CIP were reviewed, and it was assumed that the caller was perhaps discussing more than one of the CREATE projects. It was agreed that Anne Haaker would call the party back to clarify the comments.</p>	<p>IHPA (Haaker) to contact Preservation Chicago to clarify concerns and advise IDOT.</p>
<p>IDOT (Emillie Eggemeyer) reviewed the ESR Addendum changes and Jacobs briefly discussed the proposed viaduct improvement work, such as lighting upgrades, drainage repairs, street and sidewalk reconstruction, and ADA ramps. IDOT noted that 11 viaduct structures were cleared previously in 2010. It is believed that these are the 11 viaducts proposed for major structural work, but Jacobs will confirm and advise.</p> <p>The Damen Avenue viaduct was reviewed in light of the possible concern expressed about this structure by Preservation Chicago. IHPA will contact them and request that they comment in writing if they have a specific issue in the 75th St. CIP study area. A Google Streetview photo of the Damen viaduct (attached) was reviewed and IHPA noted that they would like to preserve the Art Deco features of the existing viaduct. Jacobs agreed that they would determine the exact extent of the anticipated work at this viaduct and advise.</p> <p>IHPA indicated that there were no other issues at any of the other</p>	<p>Jacobs to determine which specific 11 structures were covered by the earlier clearance.</p> <p>Jacobs to provide details on the proposed work at the Damen viaduct.</p> <p>IHPA to coordinate with Preservation Chicago and determine if they have any concerns about the Damen viaduct.</p>

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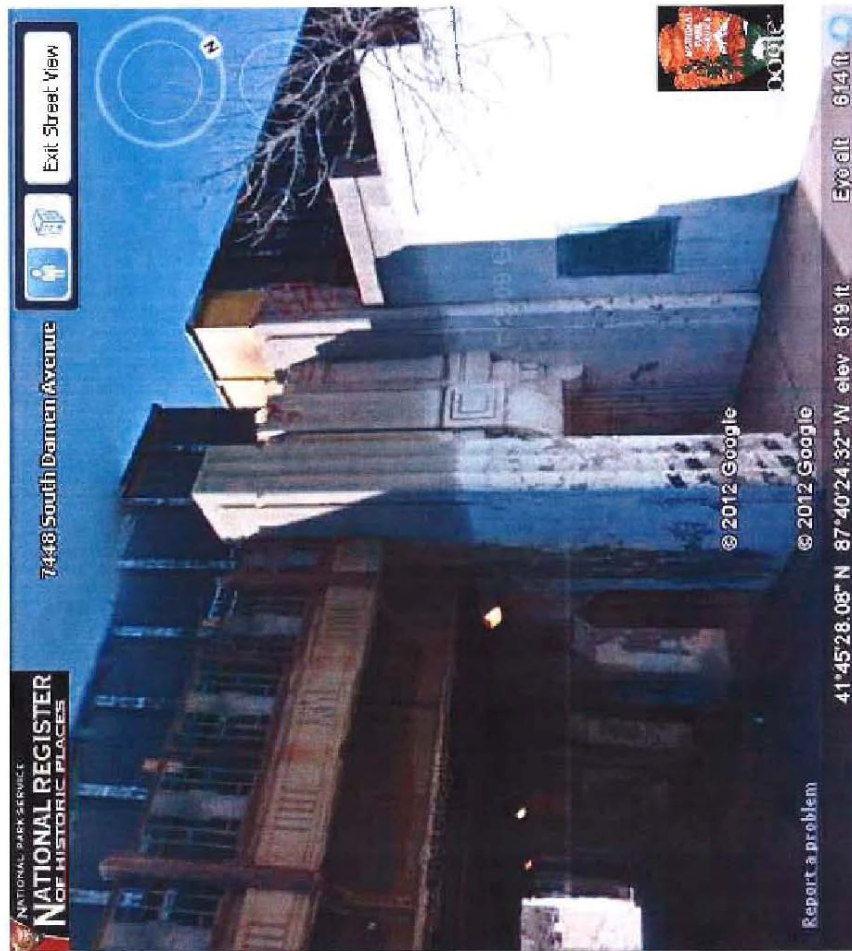
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structures, or in any of the areas added in the ESR Addendum. It was agreed that a separate letter for the ESR Addendum areas would be prepared for IHPA concurrence, so as to keep clear the distinctions between the Hamilton Park issues and the viaducts in the ESR Addendum.	IDOT (Koldehoff) to prepare letter on ESR Addendum for IHPA concurrence.



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Illinois Department of Transportation

Memorandum

To: Danielle Stewart
 From: John D. Baranzelli By: Brad Koldehoff
 Subject: Cultural Resource Coordination
 Date: March 21, 2012

**Cook County
 CREATE
 75th Street Corridor Improvement Project
 EW2-P2-P3-GS 19
 Project: P-30-004-04
 IDOT Sequence #11761 and #11761A**

For the addendum to this project (**Seq#11761A**), the Illinois State Historic Preservation Officer (IL SHPO) has concurred with IDOT's determination that the above referenced project will have "No Adverse Effect" on historic properties, provided that IDOT continues to coordinate with the IL SHPO's office to develop appropriate landscaping in the affected area of Hamilton Park, a property listed on the National Register of Historic Places (see attached). The continued IL SHPO and Chicago Park District coordination for the landscaping must be fulfilled with an Environmental Commitment in the EIS and a commitment in the project construction plans.

Proposed commitment language: "Coordination will continue in the Design Phase with the IL SHPO and Chicago Park District to develop an appropriate landscaping plan in the affected area of Hamilton Park."

For the original project (**Seq#11761**), which was previously determined by the IL SHPO to have "No Effect" on historic properties (June 28, 2010), the IL SHPO has agreed that potential impacts to the Damen Avenue viaduct can be minimized by replacing in-kind and replicating the decorative Art-Deco façade and railing that currently exists on the viaduct, provided that IDOT continues to coordinate with the IL SHPO's office by providing plans for the replication work. The IL SHPO agreed that this work can be fulfilled with a commitment in the project construction plans, but this required work must also be documented as an Environmental Commitment in the project EIS.

Proposed commitment language: "Coordination will continue with the IL SHPO to ensure the Damen Avenue viaduct Art-Deco façade and railing that currently exists will be replaced in-kind and replicated to the extent feasible."

Brad H. Koldehoff, RPA
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